various incentives and concessions. Interpreneurs setting up industries in 'No Industry Districts' are eligible for concessional Finance, Exemption from Income-Tax, Priority in the grant of industrial licences etc.

During the last five years following Letters of Intent and Industrial licences have been issued for the three 'No Industry Districts of Orissa.

| Year | LOIs | ILs |
|---|---|---|
| 1985 . . . | 11 | 5 |
| 1986 . . . | 5 | 1 |
| 1987 . . . | 5 | 3 |
| 1988 . . . | 2 | 1 |
| 1989 . . . | 5 | .. |

**Salary and Allowances to the village Health Guides**

636. SHRI JAGADISH JANI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the rate at which salary and allowances are being given to the village Health Guides in different States ;

(b) whether there is a need to enhance the salary and allowances of the village Health Guides; and

(c) if so, what are the steps proposed to be taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI NILAMANI ROUTRAY) : (a) The Village Health Guides are paid an honorarium of Rs. 50/- per month in order to meet the out of pocket expenses. The health Guides are volunteers selected by the Community having a vocation of their own.

(b) and (c) The matter is under consideration.

**Purchase of Westland Helicopters**

637. SHRI A.G. KULKARNI :
SHRI SURESH KALMADI :
SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMRAO PATIL :

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the increased accidents of the Westland helicopters has demoralised ONGC and its field staff and, if so, what steps are being proposed either to rectify the defects to improve their working or to replace the fleet ;

(b) whether any thorough probe has taken place into the purchase and maintenance of these helicopters ; and

(c) Who are the major shareholders or partners of the company in U.K. which sold these helicopters to Indian Government?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN) : (a) The accidents have been a cause of concern to ONGG and also to the Pilots of Pawan Hans Limited. Government, therefore, decided to keep the entire Westland fleet grounded till corrective measures are taken on the basis of report to be submitted by the Hussainy Committee appointed for examining various operational/safety aspects of the helicopters.

(b) A Committee has been constituted to go into the various aspects relating to the purchase of Westland helicopters.

(c) M/s. Westland Helicopters Limited is a fully owned subsidiary of Westland Group Plc.